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Question: What does a requirement to complete an SVA mean for my facility?

Answer: If your facility receives an initial notification letter from DHS, designating it as a high risk facility and preliminarily assigning it to Tier 1, 2, 3, or 4, the facility is only required to complete and submit an SVA by the deadline included in the letter. If the facility is designated as a preliminary Tier 4, the facility has the option of submitting an Alternative Security Program for DHS' approval in lieu of the DHS SVA. The SVA process does not require your facility to make any changes to its operations or security measures.

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